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Amendments to the Specification:

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 8, line 14 with the following amended paragraph:

Referring to FIGS. 3A and 3B, a process 300 illustrates an example of processing the packet 210 using the CFE 202, the DFEs 204a-204c, and the CE 206. The process 300 begins when the packet 210 arrives 302 at the CFE 202. The packet 210 may have been sent from one of the servers 214a-214c or from another source that can communicate with the network 212. The CFE 202 attempts to classify the packet 210 at 302. The CFE 202 determines 304 if the packet 210 is in the clear (i.e., is not encrypted). If the packet 210 is in the clear, then the CFE 202 can access the packet's contents and appropriately classify 306 the packet 210 using clear-text or plain-text information included in the packet's contents.